

2008 MUNICIPAL ELECTION CALENDAR

	Second Tuesday in April	First Tuesday after first Monday in June (Primary)	Combine with school on third Tuesday in June *
Publish two consecutive weekly notices of vacancies and time and place for filing petitions. (9-13-6 or 9-13-40 & 5:02:04:06; 13-7-5 & 5:02:04:14)	January 15 - 30	February 15 - March 1	March 15-30
Earliest date to begin petition circulation and earliest date to file nominating petition. (9-13-9, 9-13-40 & 13-7-6)	January 25	March 1	April 8
Publish first of two consecutive weekly voter registration notices. (12-4-5.2 & 5:02:04:04)	March 3-7	April 28-May 2	May 12-16
Deadline for filing nominating petition. (9-13-7, 9-13-40 & 13-7-6)	February 29, 5pm	March 25, 5pm	May 9, 5pm
Deadline for submission of written request to withdraw candidate's name from nomination. (9-13-7.1, 13-7-7)	February 29, 5pm	March 25, 5pm	May 9, 5pm
Publish last of two consecutive weekly voter registration notices. (12-4-5.2 & 5:02:04:04)	March 10-14	May 5-9	May 19-23
Deadline for voter registration. (12-4-5)	March 24	May 19	June 2
Publish two consecutive weekly notices of election. First publication must be at least 10 days before election. (9-13-13 & 5:02:04:08 or 13-7-8 & 5:02:04:15)	March 24-April 4	May 19 – May 30	June 2-13
Publish facsimile ballot in the calendar week before the election. (9-13-13)	March 31 – April 4	May 26-30	June 9-13
Automatic tabulating systems only. Conduct a public test of the system. Must publish notice 48 hours before test. (12-17B-5 & 5:02:09:01.01)	March 29 – April 7	May 24 – June 2	June 7-16
Election Day. Polls open 7:00am to 7:00pm. (9-13-1)	April 8	June 3	June 17
Deadline for official canvass. (9-13-24)	April 15	June 10	June 24
Notice of run-off election, if needed. Facsimile of the official ballot need not be published for secondary elections. (9-13-27.1; 5:02:04:13)	April 21-25	June 16-20	June 30 - July 4
Run-off Election Day, if needed. (9-13-27)	April 29	June 24	July 8
Deadline for official canvass of run-off election. (9-13-24)	May 6	July 1	July 15

*The optional date may only be used if your election is a combined election with a school election (SDCL 9-13-1.1). School elections may be held anytime from April 8 through June 17. The dates provided here apply to the traditional school election date of June 17.

Cancellation of Municipal Election

In the event of no contest due to the death or withdrawal of a candidate, you will publish one notice of cancellation of municipal election. The format for this notice is in administrative rule 5:02:04:21.

Note: If the school election is combined with a municipal election on a date other than the 2nd Tuesday in April, all dates follow SDCL 13-7.

If you have further questions, please contact the South Dakota Municipal League, 1-800-658-3633 or Secretary of State, 773-3537.